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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, SP
SUBJECT: NEXT MEETING OF US-SPANISH COUNCIL

1. I CALLED ON FROEIGN MINISTER OREJA ON JULY 16
AT MY REQUEST TO COVER A NUMBER OF MATTERS (SEPTELS).
OREJA MENTIONED THAT HE HAD SPOKEN TO THE SECRETARY
IN PARIS ON JUNE 23 ABOUT THE NEXT MEETING OF
THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL. HE SAID THAT HIS PRESENT
PLANS CALLED FOR HIM TO BE TRAVELING A GOOD PART OF
SEPTEMBER WITH THE KING, BUT HE EXPECTED TO BE IN
NEW YORK ABOUT SEPTEMBER 24 OR 25 AS HE WAS SCHEDULED
TO SPEAK AT THE UNGA ON SEPTEMBER 26. AS HE WOULD
EXPECT TO REMAIN IN THE U.S. UNTIL APPROXIMATELY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, THE BEST DATES FOR HIM FOR
THE COUNCIL MEETING IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE BETWEEN SEPTEMBER
27 AND SEPTEMBER 30.

2. OREJA EMPHASIZED THAT HE ATTACHED GREAT
IMPORTANCE TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING AND HE HOPED
IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO REGISTER PROGRESS IN THE
WORK OF THE VARIOUS TRUCTURES SET UP UNDER THE
TREATY. THIS WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO HIM IN
CONNECTION WITH A PRESENTATION ON THE STATE OF
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US-SPANISH RELATIONS WHICH HE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE
TO THE TWO HOUSES OF THE NEW CORTES.

3. OREJA MADE A PARTICULAR POINT OF MENTIONING THE
ACTIVITIES OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION
WITH NATO SET UP UNDER THE TREATY. HE BELIEVED THE
WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE WAS MOST IMPORTANT IN CON-

NECTION WITH GOS PREPARATION OF AN EVENTUAL DEBATE
IN THE CORTES ON SPAIN'S POSSIBLE ENTRY INTO NATO.
I TOLD OREJA THAT ON OUR SIDE, WE WERE DOING WHAT-
EVER WE COULD TO BE HELPFUL IN GETTING MATERIAL FOR
THE AD HOC COMMITTEE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IN LIGHT OF OREJA'S EXPECTED
SCHEDULE IN SEPTEMBER, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF I
COULD GIVE HIM SOME REACTION IN THE NEAR FUTURE AS
TO THE SECRETARY'S WISHES ON A US-SPANISH COUNCIL
MEETING IN THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER. STABLER

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